

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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DILUTION OF EQUITY IN BSNL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to dilute 10% equity in Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the BSNL has sufficient cash balance for any expansion projects; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for considering dilution of its equity?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

- (a) No Sir.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) At present, BSNL will be able to meet the expansion plan out of internal resources and external borrowing.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (a) above.